

West Hartford Town Council Meeting

Tuesday, June 25, 2019

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Members present

Councilor Barnes, Mayor Cantor, Councilor Davidoff, Councilor Dodge, Councilor Fay, Deputy Mayor Kerrigan, Councilor Sweeney, Councilor Wenograd, Councilor Williams

Meeting called to order at 7:32 PM

1. Meeting Opening

A. Call to Order

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Roll Call

ALL PRESENT

2. Approval of Minutes

A. Town Council Minutes 06-11-2019

APPROVED

Motion by Deputy Mayor Kerrigan, second by Councilor Davidoff.

YES: Councilor Barnes, Mayor Cantor, Councilor Davidoff, Councilor Dodge, Councilor Fay, Deputy Mayor Kerrigan, Councilor Sweeney, Councilor Wenograd, Councilor Williams

B. Public Hearing Application 527 Prospect Avenue 5-28-2019

APPROVED

Motion by Deputy Mayor Kerrigan, second by Councilor Davidoff.

YES: Councilor Barnes, Mayor Cantor, Councilor Davidoff, Councilor Dodge, Councilor Fay, Deputy Mayor Kerrigan, Councilor Sweeney, Councilor Wenograd, Councilor Williams

C. Public Hearing Resolution Neighborhood Assistance Grant Application 5-28-2019

APPROVED

Motion by Deputy Mayor Kerrigan, second by Councilor Davidoff.

YES: Councilor Barnes, Mayor Cantor, Councilor Davidoff, Councilor Dodge, Councilor Fay, Deputy Mayor Kerrigan, Councilor Sweeney, Councilor Wenograd, Councilor Williams

3. Public Forum

NO ONE SPOKE

4. Consideration of Consent Calendar

NONE

5. Unfinished Business

A. Substitute Ordinance, On Behalf Of Gastro Park Llc, Requesting Amendments To Sec. 177-37.4 Food Truck Parks.

(This agenda item will be the subject of a formal public hearing on June 25, 2019 and may not be addressed during Public Forum pursuant to Town Council Rules.) (999)

ADOPTED, 9-0

SUBSTITUTE ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ZONING STANDARDS APPLICABLE TO FOOD TRUCK PARKS

WHEREAS food truck parks are unique operations; and

WHEREAS the varying ways in which food truck parks can be established may result in their inability to qualify for most liquor permits from the State of Connecticut; and

WHEREAS the sale of beer and wine at food truck parks is appropriate provided that the operator can obtain the appropriate licensure from the State of Connecticut

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF WEST HARTFORD THAT:

Section 1. Subsection 177-2B of the West Hartford Code of Ordinances is hereby revised by the following amendment thereto:

FOOD TRUCK PARK, MAIN USE

A permanently established area designed to accommodate up to five food trucks and offering food and/or beverages for sale to the public as the main use of the property and functioning as a single business. If beer and/or wine is served at any food truck park, it shall be as an adjunct to the primary function of serving food and shall only occur while food trucks are present and serving food on site. The service of beer and wine shall operate under the applicable liquor permit as provided in C.G.S. Chapter 545, as that chapter may be amended, and comply with all Liquor Control Commission regulations appertaining thereto.

Section 2. Subsection 177-37.4 B (6) of the West Hartford Code of Ordinances is hereby revised by the following amendment thereto:

Patron parking must be provided at a rate of [two (2) spaces per food truck and] one
(1) space for every three (3) seats in any seating area provided. The patron parking area must be a paved or gravel surface.

Motion by Deputy Mayor Kerrigan, second by Councilor Davidoff.

YES: Councilor Barnes, Mayor Cantor, Councilor Davidoff, Councilor Dodge, Councilor Fay, Deputy Mayor Kerrigan, Councilor Sweeney, Councilor Wenograd, Councilor Williams

Motion #2

MOTION TO WAIVE APPLICANTS FEES PURSUANT TO SEC. 177-50 M.

APPROVED, 7-2

Motion by Deputy Mayor Kerrigan, second by Councilor Davidoff.

YES: Mayor Cantor, Councilor Davidoff, Councilor Dodge, Deputy Mayor Kerrigan, Councilor Sweeney, Councilor Wenograd, Councilor Williams

NO: Councilor Barnes, Councilor Fay

B. Resolution Approving a West Hartford Complete Streets Policy Exception for the Mountain Road at Albany Avenue Intersection Improvement Project. (1066)

ADOPTED, 9-0

([Click Here](#) for Design Concept Comparison Plan Mountain Road at Albany Avenue (US RTE 44))

WHEREAS, the Connecticut Department of Transportation, through the Local Transportation Capital Improvement Program (LOTICIP), awarded approximately \$1.5M dollars to West Hartford for improvements along Mountain Road at the intersection of Albany Avenue (Route 44); and

WHEREAS, the primary purposes for this project are to provide additional capacity to accommodate the existing and future vehicular demand and to improve safety for all the Mountain Road right-of-way users; and

WHEREAS, the secondary purpose is to provide all Mountain Road right-of-way users with suitable accessibility to and through the intersection; and

WHEREAS, West Hartford has evaluated all feasible options, incorporated the wishes of the various stakeholders when possible, and has arrived at concept plan worthy of construction; and

WHEREAS, that plan involves removing an underutilized sidewalk that does not connect to any other sidewalks, which will allow for the installation of four foot wide, dedicated bicycles lanes on both sides of Mountain Road at Albany Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the West Hartford's Pedestrian and Bicycle Commission has advised staff that it believes that West Hartford is deviating from the Complete Streets Policy and an exception is required; and

WHEREAS, The Engineering Division bases its plan on its study of the intersection and motor vehicle, bicyclist and pedestrian use of the intersection, in addition to projected or anticipated changes to the intersection; and

WHEREAS, West Hartford feels strongly that the proposed plan is consistent with West Hartford's Complete Street Policy and an exception for the removal of the sidewalk is warranted based on the absence of current or projected need.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT BY THE WEST HARTFORD TOWN COUNCIL adopts this resolution approving the requested

exception to the Complete Streets Policy and authorizing staff to proceed with the right-of-way improvements along Mountain Road at the intersection of Albany Avenue

Motion by Deputy Mayor Kerrigan, second by Councilor Davidoff.

YES: Councilor Barnes, Mayor Cantor, Councilor Davidoff, Councilor Dodge, Councilor Fay, Deputy Mayor Kerrigan, Councilor Sweeney, Councilor Wenograd, Councilor Williams

6. New Business

A. Resolution To Amend The Fiscal Year 2018-2019 General Fund Budget To Fund Transfers To The Debt Service Fund, Utilities Services Fund And Capital Projects Fund

ADOPTED, 8-1

WHEREAS, fiscal year 2018-2019 actual ECS grant, PILOT grant, and interest income revenues in the General Fund exceeded the amount estimated and these funds are available for appropriation; and

WHEREAS, West Hartford wishes to appropriate \$1,550,000 to fund transfers to the Debt Service Fund (\$950,000), Utilities Services Fund (\$300,000), and Capital Non-Recurring Expenditure (CNRE) Fund (\$300,000), and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE WEST HARTFORD TOWN COUNCIL that transfers totaling \$1,550,000 are hereby authorized and the fiscal year 2018-2019 General Fund budget is hereby amended as follows:

Increase Estimated Revenues

01-550046-22990-9043	Education Cost Sharing Grant	\$525,000
01-911000-90000-9082	PILOT Grant	\$350,000
01-911000-90000-9358	Interest Income	\$675,000

Increase Appropriations

01-900100-10503-4059	Transfer to Debt Service Fund	\$950,000
01-320101-30601-2217	Transfer to Utilities Services Fund	\$300,000
01-900100-10503-4058	Transfer to CNRE Fund	\$300,000

AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE WEST HARTFORD TOWN COUNCIL

that the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 CNRE Fund budget is hereby amended as follows:

Increase Estimated Revenues

33-910800-30506-9386	Transfer from General Fund	\$300,000
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Increase Appropriations

33-910800-30506-4058	Transfer to Capital Projects Fund	\$300,000
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AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE WEST HARTFORD TOWN COUNCIL

that the following amounts are hereby appropriated in the Capital Projects Fund:

Project		Amount
891930	Property Revaluation 2020	\$300,000

Motion by Deputy Mayor Kerrigan, second by Councilor Davidoff.

YES: Mayor Cantor, Councilor Davidoff, Councilor Dodge, Councilor Fay, Deputy Mayor Kerrigan, Councilor Sweeney, Councilor Wenograd, Councilor Williams

NO: Councilor Barnes

7. Reports of Town Manager

Town Manager Matthew W. Hart presented his report to the Council.

8. Announcements

Upcoming events were reported by Mayor Cantor.

9. Reports of Corporation Counsel

NO REPORTS

10. Appointments

NONE

11. Reports of Standing or Special Committees

NONE

12. Communications

A. From Louise Psaras (6-14-2019) resigning from Commission on Veterans' Affairs. (321)

RECEIVED

B. From Tiffany Donelson (6-14-2019) resigning as Town Council Zoning Alternate. (321)

RECEIVED

13. Consent Calendar

NO ITEMS

14. Petitions

NONE

15. Executive Session

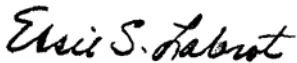
NONE

16. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 8:43 PM

Motion by Mayor Cantor, second by Deputy Mayor Kerrigan.

YES: Councilor Barnes, Mayor Cantor, Councilor Davidoff, Councilor Dodge, Councilor Fay, Deputy Mayor Kerrigan, Councilor Sweeney, Councilor Wenograd, Councilor Williams



Essie S. Labrot

Town Clerk/Council Clerk

APPROVED AT JULY 16, 2019 TOWN COUNCIL MEETING